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## INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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This international search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This international search report consists of a total of 5 sheets.

☐ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

**1. Basis of the report**

a. With regard to the language, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ The international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).

b. ☐ With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, see continuation of this first sheet.

2. ☐ **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (see continuation of this first sheet)

3. ☐ **Unity of invention is lacking** (see continuation of this first sheet)

4. With regard to the title,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the **abstract**,

☐ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☒ the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in the continuation of this first sheet. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. With regard to the **drawings**,

a. the figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 1

☒ as suggested by the applicant.

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☐ as selected by this Authority, because this figure better characterizes the invention.

b. ☐ none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

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1. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, the international search was carried out on the basis of:

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Text of the abstract

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A pitch mark repair device including a pushing tool (12) and a restoring tool (14). The pushing tool (12) defines a cone-shaped pushing formation (20). The restoring tool (14) comprises two spaced elongate tines (22.1) and (22.2) that extend outwardly from the pushing tool (12). In use, to repair a pitch mark, the pushing formation (20) is pushed into the pitch mark thereby forming a deepened cone-shaped depression. As such, the damaged grass on the surface of the turf is pushed deeper into the ground. The tines of the restoring tool (14) are then inserted into the turf spaced sufficiently from the peripheral edge of the depressed pitch mark so as to leave a region of healthy grass between the tines and the depressed pitch mark. By levering the tines towards the inside of the depressed pitch mark, the pitch mark is filled in with turf having a healthy grass layer.

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